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Applicant: Bradley N. Maker  
Title: Implicit-Explicit Switching for Finite Element Analysis  
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**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Dear Sir:

Applicant respectfully petitions for a one-month extension of time within which to respond to the September 13, 2004 outstanding Office Action, such extension allowing the undersigned until January 13, 2005 to respond. Please charge the extension fee of \$60.00 against Deposit Account No. 502664, as indicated in the accompanying Transmittal Letter.

Respectfully submitted,

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